

PQM 202

Commercial and Nondevelopmental Item Acquisition Course for Technical Personnel

The Commercial and Nondevelopmental Item (C/NDI) Acquisition Course for Technical Personnel focuses on tools and techniques used by engineering, logistics, and related technical personnel for identifying and evaluating C/NDI alternatives throughout the acquisition process. It provides instruction on requirements definition, acquisition strategy development, support planning, and the use of market acceptability criteria for C/NDI acquisitions.

Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:

- employ market research to determine the appropriateness of commercial or nondevelopmental items for satisfying users' needs; and
- plan an acquisition strategy for the management of commercial and nondevelopmental items.

Who Should Attend: This assignment-specific course is designed for acquisition personnel who are in the Program Management; Systems Planning, Research, Development and Engineering; Life Cycle Logistics; Test and Evaluation; Production, Quality and Manufacturing; and related career fields in planning and managing the acquisition of C/NDIs.

Prerequisite: None

Recommended: ACQ 101

Length: 2 class days

Method of Delivery: Local

PDS Code: PAM



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Preparation of Commercial Item Descriptions for Engineering and Technical Personnel

This course presents instruction on the preparation and use of Commercial Item Descriptions (CIDs), including characterization of commercial items, the development and use of market acceptability criteria, and the development of performance-based salient characteristics. Current policy on the use of CIDs and performance specifications is discussed.

Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:

- employ market research to develop a performance-based CID or other suitable performance-based document for describing commercially available products acceptable for meeting the users' needs; and
- implement appropriate DoD policies in this area.

Who Should Attend: This assignment-specific course is designed for personnel who are involved in generating product descriptions for commercial and nondevelopmental items or who are involved in determining the commerciality of an item.

Prerequisite: None

Length: 1 class day

Method of Delivery: Local

PDS Code: PAN

